

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Docket Number (Optional)

1915/13971US04



In re the Application of

**Grooms, James, et al.**

Application Number

**09/905,683**

Filed

**07/13/01**

For

**Cortical Bone Cervical Smith-Robinson Fusion Implant**

Group Art Unit

**3738**

Examiner

**Bruce Edward Snow**

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This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

- ☒ One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))  
☐ Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))  
☐ Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))  
☐ Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))  
☐ Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))

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- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- ☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- ☐ The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 13-0017. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the ☐ applicant/inventor

☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.

Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

☒ attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 32,167

☐ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).

Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) \_\_\_\_\_

**WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.**

09/11/03

Date

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NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

☒ Total of 1 forms are submitted.